Each year, the UCSB student body elects new representatives to the Associated Students government. The candidates are faced with finding solutions to student issues, including rising tuition, food insecurity and the representation of marginalized groups within the university.
**TUESDAY, APRIL 24**

**B EYOND NOSTALGIA - MARY ANN PETERS**

**MCC LOUNGE | 6 - 7PM**

Mary Ann Peters is an Arab-American artist who makes paintings, drawings and installations that respond to the interplay between contemporary and historical migration narratives out of the Middle East. Her installation series Impossible Monuments in the Wake of Displacement identifies seemingly incidental but influential events that deserve reverence yet would never be elevated to the status of a monument.

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Justice Dumlao for A.S. President

As the face of the association, the Associated Students president must be a leader who can understand the diverse student body at UC Santa Barbara and work to create tangible projects intended to serve all students.

With experience working with different groups on campus and a firm set of goals for his time as president of the association, Justice Dumlao demonstrates the leadership qualities that could improve A.S. from the top down.

Dumlao has served as the co-chair of the A.S. Queer Commission, diversity education coordinator for the Resource Center for Sexual and Gender Diversity (RCSGD), a board member of the Student Affairs Student Council and a director for the Coalition for a Better UC.

The candidate's experience working in all corners of campus demonstrates his ability to communicate with both students and administration.

Dumlao, a third-year global studies major, has a dedication to making A.S. more accessible to all students in a tangible way; his time as president of the association, Justice Dumlao for A.S. President

Sophia Dycaico for EVPLA

The Daily Nexus endorses Sophia Dycaico for external vice president for local affairs.

Sophia Dycaico has been involved in the community since her freshman year, working as a community coordinator for the then-external vice president of local affairs, taking an active role campaigning for local self-governance efforts, including safety and police presence, then her experiences and knowledge of the community's history will make her an effective EVPLA next year.

The EVPLA is the executive A.S. representative for all things Isla Vista.

As a first-year history of public policy major, Dycaico helped Third District Supervisor candidate Joan Hartmann register voters in the community. In the spring, she worked as the Community Services District (CSD) coordinator for the EVPLA office, months before the CSD became a reality.

Dycaico spent that fall going door to door, asking people to vote on measures that would create the district and a tax fund to it. She helped build a forum, held by the EVPLA office, featuring CSD Board of Directors candidates. Many of these candidates ended up on the board, but the CSD didn't get its funding. This June, it will have another chance, and Dycaico is again campaigning for it.

Since then, Dycaico has hunkered down on campus efforts. She was elected off-campus senator last spring. During her term, she is most proud of having been an effective liaison between the Senate and organizations like Environmental Affairs Board (EAB) and UCSB Lobby Corps.

René Bahá, EAH co-chair, agreed Dycaico was a viable liaison who attended 75 percent of the org's meetings—more than she was required to by A.S. legal code. She did a lot more than she was supposed to and put in way more work than previous liaisons," said Bahá, a third-year environmental studies and global studies major.

During the campaign, Dycaico proved she has a solid level of background knowledge of EVPLA's workings and a surer feel for the nuances of other student government structures like the Beloved Community conference and the I.V. Recreation and Parks District. Dycaico has formed solid relationships on tenant landlord mediation and making Halloween safe.

Optioned for improving I.V.'s burglary rates, she said, starts with giving its residents more replacement keys for their houses because too many are leaving their homes unlocked.

Dycaico's plan fails to consider that The Home Depot is only a 13-minute bicycle ride away from the southernmost block of Isla Vista.

Dycaico also introduced nothing new when it comes to organizing the student government into smaller committees that would respect the diversity of ideas and residents who do not speak English as a first language.

Still, when it comes to understanding the projects already underway in I.V., and the bureaucratic lags that may slow them down, the EVPLA's election rules for the job. If she can get to know more of the folks in the community this summer and commit herself to understanding how they would rank the candidates, she would be a far better choice for re-focusing the student population in I.V.

Student can vote for Dycaico in the A.S. Elections by logging on to G.O.L.D. from April 23-26.
Staphany Rubio
University News Editor

The Chicano movement in the late 1960s, known as El Movimiento, found its home at UC Santa Barbara with the creation of the El Centro Annex building, giving Chicanos and Chicanas a place where they could express their shared identities and experiences.

Last Saturday—after nearly a year of fighting against the demolition of the building—students, community members and UCSB staff and faculty came together for the reopening of the renovated El Centro Amilcar Casillas building.

The open house celebration started with a ceremonial song and blessing by Chumash elder Marcus Lopez.

“This ceremony is to celebrate the new vision of the world that we are going to live in,” Lopez said.

He said the reopening shows that “tradition can break the master narrative” of historical colonial power over people of color and that the students, community and everyone involved in El Centro will redefine what the narrative is.

“I’m happy to see and to be here and to give you that message through these ancient songs,” Lopez said.

While Pimentel has expressed plans to hold “one-on-one” sessions with students to hear about their goals and plans and offer them help. He also wants to create a written contract that states the exact responsibilities of each senator and how much honoraria a senator will be docked if a responsibility is not completed as a way to hold officials accountable.

The Nexus is impressed with Pimentel’s plan to “revitalize public forums” during Senate meetings. Other public forums can create a hostile environment for discussion of controversial topics, so a new approach might be beneficial.

Pimentel hopes to expand the roles and duties of the campus visibility director to bridge the gap between A.S. and the student body.

If Pimentel can successfully incorporate new accountability measures for senators and organize more tangible and directional bills, we believe he will be an effective and diplomatic internal vice president.

The Daily Nexus endorse third-year political science major, Anthony Pimentel, who we believe will serve as a diplomatic, bipartisan and organized internal vice president.

Pimentel is crucial for the Associated Students (A.S.) internal vice president (IVP) to be seen as a neutral and clarifying figure, as the IVP is responsible for heading a Senate bill of students with campus.

His past year, Pimentel served as an off-campus senator, co-chaired the Senate Internal Committee and was a policy intern at the UC-Community Services District (CSD).

Pimentel’s platform is focused on accountability of A.S. senators with an emphasis on ensuring that senators are active and effective liaisons to their districts.

While Pimentel has experience in A.S., the resolutions he has authored have been mostly positional and not directional, which means they represent symbolic measures and not direct actions.

Pimentel helped author a resolution condemning anti-Semitism and hate speech, along with a resolution condemning cyberbullying.

The Nexus acknowledges the importance of “positioned resolutions,” Pimentel’s resolutions do not involve concrete action.

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Mayela Morales for EVP SA

The Daily Nexus endorses third-year Chicano studies major, Mayela Morales, who we believe will serve as a diplomatic, bipartisan and organized internal vice president.

Morales’ platform includes being a strong advocate for programs for the community who may feel they lack representation.

She said she has also worked with Monique Limm to address food insecurity on college campuses.

Morales takes a refreshing approach to resources for students and affordability and is focused on including students that do not qualify for benefits or come from out of state.

“Not all students are eligible for these kinds of programs based on their out-of-state and undocumented status, and we are still required to pay extra student fees,” she said.

While Morales has experience working with Lobby Corps and the Student Advocate Network, she knows “the experience, and she understands the issues of lobbying, such as lack of preparation and the effectiveness of the issues that she opponent, Maddie Linkov, lacks." Pimentel’s resolutions do not involve concrete action.

The Nexus endorses third-year Chicano studies major, Mayela Morales, who we believe will serve as the official representative of A.S. to the University of California Students’ Association (UCSA) Board of Directors as well as the United States Students’ Association (USSA).

Morales has served within UCSA, giving her experience as a representative of the university, specifically within marginalized groups.

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Do you wish to continue a mandatory fee of $0.76 per undergraduate student per quarter (including summer), to continue a fund available to students and student groups to finance volunteer, campus, and community projects (Breakdown: $0.57 is for Community Volunteer Foundation and $0.19 is for return to aid)? This fee is in addition to the $4.26 per student per quarter ($3.67 in summer) currently collected by Community Affairs Board through other campus and student government fees for a total of $4.84 ($4.35 in summer). If reaffirmed, the fee will continue to be collected until subject to reaffirmation in spring 2022.

Yes NO ABSTAIN

No pro/con statements were submitted.

Campus Learning Assistance Services (CLAS) Domestic Violence Prevention Fee

Do you wish to continue a mandatory fee of $17.37 per undergraduate student per quarter (including summer), to maintain the current level of financial aid and support for campus programs and services that prevent rape and domestic violence (Breakdown: $12.90 is for return to aid, $4.33 is for administrative fee)? The fee also includes a cost of living adjustment (COLA) every five years and is next scheduled for adjustment in fall 2020, then fall 2025, and so forth. This fee is in addition to the $9.41 per undergraduate and $7.56 per graduate student per quarter currently collected through other campus and student government fees to support Arts & Lectures programming and facilities, for a total of $43.82. If reaffirmed, the fee will continue to be collected until subject to reaffirmation in spring 2022.

Yes NO ABSTAIN

No pro/con statements were submitted.

University Center (UCen) Support Fee

Do you wish to continue a mandatory fee of $5.85 per undergraduate student per quarter (including summer) to help meet operating and facility costs of the UCen? This fee is in addition to the $5.85 per undergraduate student quarter fee currently collected by the University Center for programming (Breakdown: $4.12 is for return to aid, $1.63 is for administrative fee). If reaffirmed, the fee will continue to be assessed until subject to reaffirmation in spring 2022.

Yes NO ABSTAIN

No pro/con statements were submitted.

Multicultural Center (MCC) Support Fee

Do you wish to continue a mandatory fee of $6.52 ($7.06 in summer) per undergraduate student per quarter to support the Multicultural Center (MCC) operating and programming costs (Breakdown: $5.61 is for return to aid; summer $5.55 is for return to aid, $0.56 of the $5.63 for the MCC ($5.45 of the $7.06 in summer) is for return to aid)? If reaffirmed, the fee will continue to be assessed until subject to reaffirmation in spring 2022.

Yes NO ABSTAIN

No pro/con statements were submitted.

GRADUATES WILL VOTE ON THESE FOUR MEASURES:

Arts & Lectures (A&L) Events Fee

Do you wish to continue a mandatory fee of $6.56 per undergraduate and graduate student per quarter (including summer), in support of Arts & Lectures programming (Breakdown: $4.12 is for return to aid)? Of the $4.26 for A&L, a 7% administrative assessment will be charged to all students participating in A&L events. In addition to the $9.41 per undergraduate and $7.56 per graduate student per quarter currently collected through other campus and student government fees to support Arts & Lectures programming for a total of $43.82. If reaffirmed, the fee will continue to be collected until subject to reaffirmation in spring 2022.

Yes NO ABSTAIN

No pro/con statements were submitted.

The Green Initiative Fund (TGF)

Do you wish to continue a mandatory fee of $3.47 per undergraduate and graduate student per quarter (including summer), in support of the Green Initiative Fund (TGF) (Breakdown: $2.60 is for TGF and $0.97 is for return to aid)? This fee is for projects intended to reduce the University's impact on the environment. If reaffirmed, the fee will continue to be assessed until subject to reaffirmation in spring 2022.

Yes NO ABSTAIN

The Green Initiative Fund (TGF) funds projects which "green" our campus and reduce the University's impact on the environment. Since the fund began in 2009, the fund has received over 140 projects that increase renewable energy use on campus, increase campus energy efficiency, increase student access to sustainable systems, and reduce waste.

"TGIF puts sustainability in the hands of students and staff, and it provides an opportunity for students to make a commitment to help the projects that enhance the sustainability of the whole campus.” — Green Corps

"TGIF empowers students to take action and create innovative solutions to solve environmental problems. Voting Yes means that your $3.47/quarter will continue funding sustainability projects and, most importantly, student initiatives that support these projects." — Jeffery Park, TGIF Grant Manager

UCSB CAMPUS ELECTIONS COMMISSION - Online Spring Election 2018

THE ELECTION IS ONLINE!

In order for the election to be considered valid, a minimum 20 percent voter turnout is required. To vote, go to https://vote.ucsb.edu, and follow the directions. The election is also provided on the UCSB GOLD system when you log in. Public access computer banks are located at SBH, the library, and many residence halls. Any difficulty accessing the online election should be reported to votehelp@as.ucsb.edu. These campus-wide measures will be on the ballot along with candidates for A.S. offices and A.S. new fees and referenda which will be voted on a separate ballot. Be sure to be a registered student by April 20, 2018 to be eligible to vote!

VOTE TURNOUT REQUIREMENTS

A minimum 20 percent voter turnout is required in order for the election to be considered valid. A voter turnout of 50% is one of the voters voting Yes.

Definition of RETURN TO AID: The return to aid consists of the portion of student loan funds originally or newly awarded that would not otherwise cover student-imposed mandatory campus fees. The surplus applies to undergraduate and graduate student fees.

Definition of ADMINISTRATIVE ASSESSMENT: The administrative assessment is a fixed fee which was established to support the infrastructure of the fee reaffirmation process. The fee base charge, assessed to non-capital expenditures for every campus-based, student-initiated, new mandatory fee and increase to an existing mandatory fee, has been determined by an independent assessment issued by the campus to cover the administrative costs of collecting, accounting for, and disbursing the student-imposed mandatory fee. The administrative assessment is not included in mandatory undergraduate and graduate student fees.

These pro/con statements were independently written and provided to the Campus Elections Commission. The commission, which comprises five student, two faculty, and two staff members, (in a body that advises the chancellor (or designee) on all matters pertaining to campus-wide elections and conducts elections in such a way that the process is fair and the outcome is accurately determined and delivered through the process. The Campus Elections Commission is NOT affiliated with Associated Student or Graduate Students Association.
Blue-Green Rivalry Renewed in Winner-Take-All Match of the Regular Season

Brandon Victor

Sports Co-Editor

UCSB men’s tennis team can do no wrong lately, having won seven games in a row, including three victories on the road. In their four conference contests, they remain to be seen, however, is who will play at the bottom two singles courts. On court five, Cal Poly has Victor Krustev has stepped up despite his age, winning his last two matches in straight sets. What he needs to do is get the victory.

Joseph Guillin has the best singles mark on the team in dual match play, tallying an 18-2 record. Junior Josh Ortlip has dominated opponents at the one spot, winning 14 of his 18 matches and riding a heavy squad when it comes to singles play. Junior Nicolas Moreno de Alboran and Anders Holm will be a threat to UCSB sophomore Joseph Guillin, who has to be on his A-game in order to get the victory.

As a result, UCSB’s fifth seed spot puts them in the No. 6 position for UCSB, with a 6-3 record in the Big West, and a 26-6 overall record. In terms of national standings, UCSB is the No. 12 team in the nation in the latest Men’s Volleyball Division I poll. The Gauchos current overall record has placed them at 13-0 this year, and at 478 when it comes to winning percentage.

Their last ball has been played at home, 7-5, while on the road their record has been 4-7. Most recently, Santa Barbara is 10-6 in the month of April. UCSB is also nationally ranked as well, having won all their matches in the Big West with 139, only two losses in the month of April.

When it comes to home and neutral play, they have a 3-5 record in conference play, which can be even more daunting. However, they will likely be the deciding factor on Saturday, they will need to display that talent — along with the panic and confidence they’ve had of late — in order to celebrate a title in SLO.

The Gauchos will take on Cal Poly at 10 a.m. on Saturday at the Mustang Courts.

Athlete Spotlight: Sophomore Pitcher Chris Lincoln

Sophomore right-handed pitcher Chris Lincoln has become one of the UCSB baseball team’s most valuable players this year. The Lincoln native has pitched a few for the Gauchos this year, and has become the starting pitcher in each of their last few games.

Lincoln has pitched in a total of 12 games for the Gauchos, and has compiled a 3.42 ERA with a 1.27 WHIP. He has pitched at least six innings in 11 of his 12 appearances, allowing just 58 hits and 19 walks in 67.2 innings pitched.

On Tuesday, Lincoln pitched seven innings of one-run ball against CSUN, allowing just one run on four hits while striking out seven batters. He also picked up his first career save in the game, recording his 10th career save in UCSB’s 3-1 victory.

Lincoln has been a valuable addition to the UCSB pitching staff this season, providing stability and consistency to the team’s bullpen.

UCSB’s pitching has been a strong aspect of the team, allowing just 2.79 runs per game while striking out 166 batters in 144.2 innings pitched. Lincoln’s success has contributed to the team’s overall pitching depth, which has been a key factor in their success.

Lincoln’s ability to pitch effectively over long periods of time has been a significant asset for the Gauchos, and his performance has helped solidify UCSB’s place as one of the top teams in the Big West Conference.
It was a perfect day for tennis at the annual Costa Mesa Intercollegiate Classic—sun shining, fans and family members cheering in the stands. Less than 500 feet away—from the noise and excitement—sitter Chase Masciorini sat in the driver’s seat of his car, surrounded only by deafening silence and self-doubt.

Was this the end? he thought to himself, mind racing, heart pounding. After years ofB8  playing years, waking up early for stadium eruces, proving his worth to the coaches, was he going to abandon his first love just like that?

After six months of failed treatments, sheer frustration and mediocrity, tennis, Masciorini had hit his breaking point. As an underclassman, Masciorini likely would have turned to pleasurable interests to ignore his disdain—partying, drinking, all the “typical college pleasures” he was so well known for on the team.

But that was the old Masciorini—the one who struggled with fulfillment in his life, who struggled to live up to the immense pressure he placed on himself in his life, who struggled to live up to the immense pressure he placed on himself on the tennis court. Instead, still alone in his car, he closed his eyes and prayed, asking God for advice.

“I felt like, in that moment, God told me to keep going and persevere, which was hard to hear because it had been five months of struggling and quitting really looked the most appealing,” he said. “At that moment, I made a decision I won’t go to the injury and not the season. I knew neither solution was ideal, but I trusted God that something good would come out of it.”

“Dealing with that, defining moment, before the injury that would plague him for so long, Masciorini was a sophomore struggling to get his chance on the court. He played only one singles match all season, losing on court six, and his partying habits were starting to catch up to him. Discontent, Masciorini knew he needed to change something… he just wasn’t sure what.

“Truly embrace the various roles he would take on. Before the first game, Masciorini found Davis’ clipboard, with notes that implied that he would never contribute to the team. At first, this proved to be an adjustment for Masciorini; he knew he wanted to help, but had a hard time swallowing his pride. All of last year, Masciorini had only focused on warming up for the match, which meant he was thrust into setting up for the match, a role that freshmen typically

dominated his singles opponent, winning in two sets, 6-1, 6-0.

"I had doubts. Was it really the injury, or did I just lose it?" he said. “It had been five to six months since I had played consistently… maybe I just lost my skill.”

Now Masciorini’s booming voice is synonymous with a home match for the Gaels, with his electronic interludes between points bringing a sort of energy that has inspired the team to an 11-0 home record.

Even when he’s not on the court, Masciorini is making his presence, a sort of presence that exudes confidence and comfort, felt at matches. In a challenge match a few weeks ago, Masciorini found himself against a freshman on the team who had beaten him easily in the fall. After the initial match in full, Masciorini found Davis’ clipboard, with notes that implied that he would contribute to the team. This match was different from the gaels. Determined to prove that he could compete—he’d given the opportunity, he could win at six—Masciorini made sure, no matter what, that his voice was heard.

At Santa Barbara, Masciorini was thrust into setting up for the match, the sort of volume that would drive a grandparent crazy. Of the Gaels’ players yelling at the top of his lungs throughout the doubles portion of the match, the sort of volume that would drive a grandfather crazy.

“Let’s gooss,” Masciorini rolled out in response, yelling on teammate and senior captain Simon Freund. During that match, Masciorini made sure, no matter what, that his voice was heard.

“I want to let the guys from the winning team just be a little louder than me,” Masciorini said. “I also wanted to show the freshmen just how to cheer, but also how to have fun with it.”

Even during USC’s March 30 match against Gonzaga, Masciorini’s constant cheering and support for his teammates carried the Bulldogs so much that a game official had to come over to warn him about “launing.” Yet after the game, the Gonzaga team came up to Masciorini to tell him how his cheering had thrown them off their game, helping to establish the home course advantage that USC is renowned for.

Through it all, Masciorini has kept the promise he held himself—to the same standing—that God would get him through it. When he started practicing, he wasn’t sure whether he would fully regain where he had been before.

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Student Julia Feldman Wants to Make Her Mark

Daniel Carroll
Reporter

At age 17, Feldman found herself at the UN General Assembly in New York, presenting a statement on the importance of women's empowerment. She recalls feeling empowered by her participation and decided to make it her life's purpose to promote gender equality and sustainability.

"I saw how much my speech was listened to and how much it resonated with people," Feldman said. "It was then that I realized I wanted to help make the world a better place for women and girls." She continued, "I want to be a voice for those who are often overlooked and to empower others to be their best selves.

Feldman, who is now a junior at UCSB, is working towards a degree in environmental studies with a minor in women's studies. She is passionate about finding the perfect job in the right city like her parents and is currently working on a project to create a mobile app that connects women with mentors and resources.

"I want to make sure that women have access to the same opportunities as men," Feldman said. "I want to create a platform where women can learn from each other and support each other's goals."
Here Are Some Ways Mother Nature Could Fuck Us

Clayton Alexander
Staff Writer

“Murphy’s Law states, ‘Anything that can go wrong, will go wrong.’ We had a Fall and Winter Quarter filled with various dangers. With Spring Quarter now up and running, many students at UCSB wonder how this trend will continue, what natural disasters are in store for us all? In an effort to have students ready for any event that could go wrong, I’ve listed all the most likely events that could go wrong this Spring Quarter.

Tsunami

Very likely under the pretense that the whole school. A catastrophe that could only be described as ‘holy mole-y.’

Giant Sinkhole Completely Engulfing the Whole School

All of the gophers, moles and other underground critters come out of hibernation beneath the school, creating a large underground cavern large enough to engulf the whole school. A catastrophe that could only be described as ‘holy mole-y.’

A Swarm of Locusts

It happened in ‘The Prince of Egypt,’ didn’t it?

Volcanic Eruption at Santa Ynez Mountains

I know what you’re thinking: ‘That’s not even a volcano,’ or ‘Shouldn’t people be more worried about Yellowstone?’ But anyone that took AP Human Geography in high school can tell that this is clearly a diversion by the mountains to sneak attack us when we have our backs turned … Nice try, mountains.


Yup, that’s right. The Plague. How is it going to happen? I don’t know. Isn’t there a chance in hell the plague would come here? I’m sure that’s exactly what people that caught my attention were thinking. ‘Isn’t there no chance in hell the plague would come here?’ ‘I hope not,’ people were saying. ‘We’re done. You’ve been warned.’

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In an effort to have students ready for any event that could go wrong, we here at the Daily Nexus have listed all the most likely events that could go wrong this Spring Quarter.
Earth Day is just around the corner and it’s only fair that we do our part to give back to the Earth, especially because the very first Earth Day started in Santa Barbara in 1970 after massive oil spills in the Santa Barbara Channel. UCSB has great sustainability programs that help conserve our natural resources, but we can still do more. According to the most recent statistics from the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), 1.3 billion tons of food are wasted each year. In the United States alone, 20 pounds of food are wasted per person per month. This throw-away society has had a detrimental effect on the environment. So this year, let’s show a little love to the earth by cutting down on our food waste. Here’s what you can do in terms of planning, storing and cooking.

**PLANNING:**
1. Make a shopping list: Make a shopping list so you don’t get distracted at the market. This also helps you save money!
2. Plan your meals for the week: Planning your meals ahead of time gives you a better idea of how many groceries to purchase and keeping a go-to list of meals and ingredients makes it easier to shop.
3. Make sure you know how much you’re buying: Buying in bulk isn’t always a good thing. While it may save you money and a few trips to Costco, if you know you won’t finish all the food you buy, it’s going to go to waste.
4. Check yourself: Before you go out to eat, make sure you’re not leaving anything behind in your fridge. Eat your leftovers first before you’ll probably just end up throwing them away otherwise.

**STORAGE:**
1. Freeze and preserve: If you do end up buying more than you need, freezing your fruits and vegetables can help them last longer. The thing is, you also need to be aware of what type of fruits you’re storing because different fruits can cause each other to go bad. Bananas are particularly notorious for causing the fruits around them to spoil.
2. Wait to wash: Before freezing your fruits, keep in mind that washing berries may cause molding. So, wait until you actually want to eat them to wash them a better idea.

**COOKING/EATING:**
1. Use leftovers: You can use leftover meats and vegetables to make salads, wraps or stir-fry and homemade broth for making soup in the future. You can also use stale or leftover bread to make breadcrumbs and croutons!
2. Prepare and freeze: If you have a busy schedule, meal prepping throughout the week is a great option to help reduce food waste. Cook up a few meals that are easily microwavable, freeze them and eat them throughout the week.
3. Dining commons: If you have meal swipes, grabbing all the plates of food you feel like eating is tempting, but remember to only take what you need. We can all see how much food students waste when we bus our plates. Also, consider donating your unused swipes to Swipe Out Hunger.
4. Restaurants: When you’re eating out, be aware of portion sizes and if you don’t end up finishing your food, box it up and take it home for another time.

Now that you have this list, try to implement these tips in your daily life to help the environment and enjoy some of these benefits of reducing food waste.

1. You save money: When you plan your meals and only buy what you need, you save money because when you throw out your excess food, you’re throwing away your money.
2. It conserves energy: Taking steps to food waste reduction contributes to preventing the pollution that is involved with agriculture and the transportation of food.
3. It’s good for the economy: Food waste removal costs are constantly rising, and reducing food waste would lower these costs significantly.

So, this Earth Day, make sure to do your part.

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**Chill Out: A Guide to this Summer’s Coolest Foods**

**Mint**

Mint is known to have a naturally prolonged cooling effect. The sensation is familiar from chewing gum and hard candies. Adding a few mint leaves to your water or lemonade will prove refreshing.

**Fruit**

Fruits rich in water regulate your body temperature and keep you hydrated during those blistering hot days. These include cucumber and watermelon, to name a few. Coconut water is a popular choice, as the electrolytes in it replenish ions lost in sweat.

Citrus fruits such as lemons and oranges are particularly cooling and help to cleanse the body of toxins. Lemon water is a good alternative to plain water and is often offered more frequently at restaurants, as the lemon helps to rehydrate the body by balancing pH levels.

**Hot and Spicy**

Contrary to popular belief, hot foods should be an essential part of any summer diet. This doesn’t just refer to foods hot in temperature, but to those packed with spice. Countries with warm and tropical climates are known to turn to steaming hot drinks or spicy soups to cool down. Doing so allows for the body to be alerted to changes in internal temperature and cool itself down, albeit with a bit of sweat. (Does your mom forcing you to drink tea when you have a fever make sense now?)

**Avoid Alcohol and Caffeine**

Both coffee and alcohol are diuretics, removing water from the body and increasing urine production. The two cause you to dehydrate much faster when consumed in large quantities. Needless to say, despite how appealing a cold drink of either may look during the summer, it is best to stay away from those during a heat wave.
**Preconditioned father**

As climate change continues to alter ecosystems, many organisms have had to adapt in order to overcome fluctuations in their environment. It is important to understand the mechanisms by which organisms can respond to a rapidly changing ocean. It is an important research priority in marine sciences, especially in light of recent predictions regarding the pace of ocean change in the coming decades. A new study by UC Santa Barbara marine biologist demonstrates that for purple female sea urchins of the species Strongylocentrotus purpuratus, exposure to stressful climate conditions such as low pH levels often makes for hardier, larger offspring.

"We've known that these things go on in fish and other species, but we've never studied this in the context of climate change in marine ecology of kelp forests," co-author Gretchen Hofmann, chair of UCSB's department of ecology, evolution and marine biology, said. "In response, she primed her offspring and gave them tools to face stressful conditions. It's like she packed them a backpack of tools, including extra lipids." Their results produced a snapshot of how offspring responded physiologically.

One of the mechanisms driving alterations in gene expression is epigenetic change, where the female is able to change her offspring's genome to cause certain genes to be expressed differently. "This work shows that a rapid adaptation response is likely possible in many organisms," Hofmann said. "We just haven’t looked at these transgenerational or maternal effects in a climate change context before. Because purple sea urchin females can condition their progeny to experience future stress, the urchins have tools at hand to respond to changes like ocean acidification."

While most studies exploring TGP in marine organisms have examined transgenerational effects at the physiological level, very few have explored the molecular basis of these effects.

"This study explored how TGP impacts gene expression in organisms like sea urchins and examined molecular-level transgenerational effects in marine organisms during their early stages of development. The researchers examined the role of TGP in the response of urchin embryos to a dynamic environmental factor (carbon dioxide) and found that parental experience greatly altered progeny gene expression patterns. When the offspring of mothers that experienced upwelling conditions were raised under two different carbon dioxide levels at a common temperature, they exhibited expression patterns that might be indicative of the combined carbon dioxide and temperature conditions the parental generation experienced, including a decrease in epigenetic and metabolic processes."

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"The two groups were radically different," lead author Jelena Wong, a graduate student in the Hofmann lab, said. "Urchin larvae from females exposed to low pH conditions had more genes turned on and were better prepared to handle stress. We were pretty surprised to see that."

"The mechanism observed was a transgenerational effect also known as transgenerational plasticity (TGP), in which the experience of the parental generation can shape the phenotype of their offspring. In the study, adult purple sea urchins were exposed to regionally and ecologically relevant carbon dioxide levels and temperatures representative of upwelling — colder temperature and high carbon dioxide — and non-upwelling — average temperature and low carbon dioxide conditions typical of coastal upwelling regions in the California Current System."

The researchers took urchins from the Santa Barbara Channel and brought them into the lab. The animals were held for about four months while the females made ripe eggs, a process called gametogenesis. When they spawned and were fertilized, the investigators tested the embryos.

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"The children are preparing for the future."
I Hate Your “Pussy Grabs Back” Shirts
Katherine Chen

“Pussy grabs back.” I see it on pink cropped tees, I hear it when I talk to my friends and I even say it a few times a week while choking the air around me when groups of cisgender heteronormative, white men make me speak my mind.

You do not need a vagina to be a woman. As lauded as this is, I see the challenge here is that a simple inspection of the current white-feminist movement displays exclusivity to the feminist movement, yet we fail them again and again.

Black trans lives would be in danger whether or not Hillary Clinton won the presidential election. According to Mic, In 2015, if all Americans had the same risk of murder as young black trans women there would have been 120,087 murders instead of the 12,087 actual murders. It’s often difficult for those of us in privileged positions to empathize with less privileged people or lifestyles.

Most of us have chosen to buy into the trend of activism and “woke-ness,” opting to turn the cheek of thefitters realities of supporting the voiceless. It is time to catch on as slang for the Student Resource Building. It’s not catching on. Your campus room felt raw and unsafe.

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